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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of:

Keiichi ABE et al.

Application No.: 10/507,127 : Group Art Unit: 1794

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FOR: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING SDG AND

FOODS AND DRINKS CONTAINING

THE SAME

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

MAIL STOP: AF Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the FINAL Office Action mailed April 17, 2008, the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider and enter the following amendments to the instant application. Attached hereto is a Petition for a one-month extension of time, extending the period of response to on or before August 18, 2008 (August 17, 2008 is a Sunday).

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.

Applicants also submit herewith a translation of Masayuki Ishikawa et al., <u>Thin-Layer</u> <u>Chromatography – Basis and Applications</u> (5th ed. 1972), pages 9-11.